

Maine Dead Laid to Rest.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Upon the windswept heights of Mt. Auburn cemetery the Maine dead brought from Havana by the battleship Texas, today were laid away in their final resting places with simple religious services and the impressive honors of war, the presence of the president, members of the cabinet, officers of the army and other officers of the government. A captain officer surveying the flag draped coffin before the ceremony began said: "The lives of those men cost Spain her colonies." But there was no note of triumph in the grim scene today. With a touch of sadness and solemn gravity the nation performed its duty to its dead and gave its defenders a Christian burial at home in soil hallowed by patriotic death.

A soft mantle of snow covered the earth, muffling the beat of the horses' hoofs, the slow turning carriage wheels and the tramp of the soldiers and sailors as they approached the burial place. The site is a commanding one. In front, the broad bosom of the ice-fettered Potomac river; beyond, the shaft of Washington, the dome of the capitol and the sprawling city; to the right, the choked embankments of Ft. McPherson and between the graves of the heroic dead of Santiago; to the left, the stately mansion of Lee and to the rear through the rising of snow-laden pines and cedars the silent arms of the patriotic men of the civil war sleeping rank upon rank in their last bivouac. The caskets interred today ranged row on row. Over each was spread an American station upon which lay a wreath of yucca leaves. Around the enclosure shoulder to shoulder, the yellow of their coat linings forming a band of color, were drawn up the cavalry of Fort Myer; to the right was a battalion of the marines from the navy yard, with their spiked helmets and scarlet caps turned back to the left as detachment of jacks from the Texas in navy blue; to the draped stand in the rear, the president and his cabinet. Admiral Dewey, Major General Miles and a distinguished group of army and navy officers in their showy dress uniforms, while all around pressed the throng of people who had braved the snow and bitter cold to pay their last respects to the dead. Among those were many relatives and friends of those who had been lost in the disaster.

There was a tender appropriateness in the fact that Captain Sigsbee, who was in command of the Maine when she was blown up, had charge of the ceremonies in honor of its men, and that Father Chadwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, was there to perform the last rites. Three others who lived through that awful night in Havana harbor were at the side of the graves of their comrades. Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, who was executive officer of the Maine and who sunk the Florida and the Puritan at Santiago, Lieutenant F. C. Bowers, who was assistant engineer of the Maine, and Jeremiah Shea, a fireman on the Maine, who was blown out of a smoke hole of the ship through the debris, escaped unjharmed more miraculously.

Slowly and solemnly the tall marines broke the deep dusk, pausing forth the sweet strains of the dirge "Safe in the arms of Jesus," and there were twitching of lips and wet eyes as Captain Clark of the navy academy at Annapolis, came forward and took his place under the canvas covered shanties in the open space in front of the dead.

The profound services were very simple.

Chaplain Clark read the funeral service of the Episcopal church and then gave way to Father Chadwick, who was assisted by Revs. Peacock and Brown and two purple robed acolytes. With heads bare to wintry blasts, the Main's chaplain read a memorial service according to the rites of the Catholic church, unsigned the dead, blessed the ground, repeated the Lord's Prayer, and concluded with a fervent appeal for the repose of the souls of the departed.

A detachment of marine in command of Captain Kormeny then marched to the right of the graves and fired three volleys over the dead, and in the deep stillness that followed the crash the clear silvery notes of a bugle rang out the soldiers and sailors last good night.

With the sounding of taps the ceremonies ended. The president and his party and other distinguished guests, the military and the crowds then withdrew. Before leaving Captain Sigsbee introduced Joseph Shea to the president. When asked for an explanation of the mystery of his escape by the president, Shea responded as he did to a similar inquiry from Father Chadwick at the time of the disaster: "I don't know how I got through. I was blown out. I must have been an armor piercing projectile."

Boston's Council Passes Boer Resolutions.

Boston, Dec. 28.—The common council of Boston today adopted a resolution of sympathy for the Boers. The resolution follows:

Whereas the common council of the city of Boston has heard of the magnificent struggle for independence and freedom from British tyranny which has been made by the Boer nation recently, and

Whereas this representative branch of the government believes the Boers ought to be a free nation, be it

Resolved, That this council congratulate President Kruger and his people on their many successes already achieved and we fervently hope that the war will end with a complete victory for the Boer soldiers.

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Resolved, That the clerk of the common council be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to President Kruger.

A resolution was also adopted extending the sympathy of the common council to the widow of the late Maj. Gen. Lawton.

Philippine Pops Open.

Manila, Dec. 28.—At 8:30 p. m. The order which has been issued opening to trade the ports of Zamboanga, Cotabato, Davao and Isabela will apply provisionally to the Jolo and Siasi ports, general dates will appear the customs official.

The authorities have issued a ruling which legalizes marriages performed by judges or the clergy of any religious denomination. Under the Spanish regime only such marriages were recognized as legal as were performed by the Roman Catholic priests.

General Frederick Funston will join General MacArthur's command. His brigade has not been designated, but it is thought he will be assigned to General Wheeler's.

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TWO TEXANS FELL EACH OTHER FULL OF HOLES.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 28.—A report from Trenton, Texas, this evening says that a duel was fought there in which one of the combatants was killed and the other died at his home two hours after the combat. William Lyttrell and Sydney Gray engaged in a fist fight, and afterward met in the street, each armed with a pistol. As soon as they were within close firing range each began to shoot. Lyttrell fell dead with a bullet through the region of the heart. Gray received a bullet in the left lung and had his right arm shattered.

Constable Wright, who went to the scene of the duel, could learn nothing concerning its origin. He said the Lytrels and Grays are among the most prominent families in the neighborhood and the tragedy has created keen excitement throughout the eastern section of Grayson county.

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